

AMENDMENT OF THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claims 1 and 10-14 without prejudice, please amend claims 2-9, and please add new claim 15, 16, 17, 18 and 19 as follows.

1. (Canceled)

2. (Currently amended) The cash management system of claim ~~4~~ 15, further comprising ~~at least one I/O device~~ I/O devices, wherein the I/O devices communicate through the first wireless communication network, and wherein the I/O devices are selected from a group consisting of: a printer, a scanner, a visual display, a keyboard, a cell phone, a pager, a personal digital assistant and a personal computer.

3. (Currently amended) The cash management system of claim ~~4~~ 15, wherein at least one of said the first cash handling device and said second cash handling device is electrically connected to a second network selected from a group consisting of: the Internet, an intranet, a LAN and a WAN.

4. (Currently amended) The cash management system of claim 3, wherein said at least one of said first cash handling device and said second cash handling device is connected to the second network through a wireless communication connection utilizes at least one of a telephone dial up modem, a digital satellite link modem and a broadband cable modem.

5. (Currently amended) The cash management system of claim ~~4~~ 15, wherein the wireless communication network operates according to the Bluetooth specification.

6. (Original) The cash management system of claim 5, wherein the wireless communication network further operates according to the RS-232 protocol.

7. (Currently amended) The cash management system of claim ~~4~~ 15, wherein the wireless communication network operates in a frequency hopping, spread spectrum range of frequencies in a range from 2.4 Ghz to 2.56 GHz.

8. (Currently amended) The cash management system of claim ~~4~~ 15, wherein the wireless communication network

operates in an infrared frequency range according to the IrDA standard.

9. (Currently amended) The cash management system of claim 4 15, wherein the wireless communication network operates in a piconet distinguished from other networks by a selected frequency hopping sequence.

10. (Canceled)

11. (Canceled)

12. (Canceled)

13. (Canceled)

14. (Canceled)

15. (New) A cash management system comprising:

a first cash handling device for processing notes including sorting of notes, totaling of notes received, and communicating note totals to at least one of: a second cash handling machine, a visual display and communication through a network;

a second cash handling device for processing coins including sorting of coins, totaling of coins received, and communicating coin totals to at least one of: the first cash handling machine, a visual display and a network; and

wherein said first cash handling device and said second cash handling device communicate through a first wireless communication network operating according to a network standard for locally distributed wireless networks.

16. (New) The cash management system of claim 15, further comprising a plurality of I/O devices which communicate through the first wireless communication network to at least one of said first cash handling machine and said second cash handling machine.

17. (New) The cash management system of claim 16, wherein the first wireless communication network operates according to the Bluetooth specification.

18. (New) The cash management system of claim 17, wherein said at least one of said first cash handling device and said second cash handling device communicates through the wireless communication network to a second network selected

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from a group consisting of: the Internet, an intranet, a LAN and a WAN.

19. (New) The cash management system of claim 15, wherein said first cash handling machine will accept batches of notes of unsorted denominations and said second cash handling machine will accept batches of coins of unsorted denominations.
